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## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114(c)

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Dear Sir

In response to the Office Action of August 5, 2009, in the above-referenced application, please reconsider the final rejection in view of the amendment and remarks presented herein.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning at page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.